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21	Judge Robert I. Worth, submitted "Recommended Order of Provisional Closing" ("Recommended			
22	Order"), a copy of which is attached and incorporated by this reference. Pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-			L.S. § 41-
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1092.08(B), the Director of the Arizona Department of Insurance declines to review the Recommended Order. Therefore, pursuant to A.R.S. § 41-1092.08(D)(1), the Recommended Order is the final administrative decision. NOTIFICATION OF RIGHTS The aggrieved party may request a rehearing with respect to this Order by filing a written petition with the Office of Administrative Hearings within 30 days of the date of this Order, setting forth the basis for such relief pursuant to A.A.C. R20-6-114(B). The final decision of the Director may be appealed to the Superior Court of Maricopa County for judicial review pursuant to A.R.S. § 20-166. A party filing an appeal must notify the Office of Administrative Hearings of the appeal within ten days after filing the complaint commencing the appeal, pursuant to A.R.S. §41-1092.10. DATED this 4 day of April, 1997 Director of Insurance A copy of the foregoing mailed this 2 day of April, 1997 Charles R. Cohen, Deputy Director Gregory Y. Harris, Executive Assistant Director Catherine O'Neil, Assistant Director Gary Torticill, Assistant Director Department of Insurance 2910 N. 44th Street, Suite 210 Phoenix, AZ 85018

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RECOMMENDED ORDER OF PROVISIONAL CLOSING

During the course of the further Pre-Hearing Conference in the above-entitled matters, and following the tribunal's receipt of a verbal report as to the status of related civil litigation which is still pending, counsel for both the Petitioner and for the Arizona Department of Insurance avowed that all underlying issues between all parties would be resolved through the rule revision process.

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It was determined that all of the above cases should be remanded to the Department of Insurance with a recommendation to the Director to automatically close these matters on a fixed future date, with leave given to either or both counsel to file, on or before such future date, a written request to restore some or all of these matters to the calendar of the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Accordingly, IT IS HEREBY ORDERED that each of the above matters be remanded to the Arizona Department of Insurance with a recommendation that the Director of the Department enter his Order automatically closing each of the above cases, effective on <u>June 30, 1997</u>, unless any party files a written request on or before such closing date to restore any or all of these matters to the calendar of the Office of Administrative Hearings, in which event a hearing date shall be scheduled in the normal course of docketing.

Dated: January 29, 1997.

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Robert I. Worth

Administrative Law Judge

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